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1. Major Ivan Shinkovitch, Chief of the Department of Industry in Thuringia, was ordered to appear in Karlsruhe on 3 February 1948 to defend himself against charges of having supplied inaccurate information to American journalists who recently toured the Russian Zone.
2. Shinkovitch is said to have reported the number of Soviet AG's to his press visitors as 124, although approximately 60 plants have been returned to the German governments during the past six months. He is also accused of having given out too high production figures as well as having committed "a grave error" in his statement as to the amount of goods sent to Russia.
3. It is expected that Shinkovitch will be relieved of his post in Thuringia and returned to the USSR.

Comment: Shinkovitch's first name as Ivar; the press has reported it as Aleksander.

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